Proclamation from the Honorable Leigh I. Saufley Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court

It is with great pleasure that I announce that the Judicial Branch Performance Council has selected the Clerks of Court, including Associate, Administrative, and Assistant Clerks and Division Supervisors, in every Clerk's Office in the State of Maine, to be recognized this year as the recipients of the Special Services Award.

The award is given annually to

Those who make a contribution to improvements in the operation and performance of the Judicial Branch that is deserving of public recognition.

The Clerks of Court of the Maine Judicial Branch work tirelessly to bring about improvement for the benefit of those who use the services of the court system, and are truly deserving of this award.

Clerks are required to have the technical understanding of the various case types and case processing requirements that are essential for an efficient and effective court system. They must also possess excellent interpersonal skills as they deal each day with members of the public dealing with stress. This year, among all of their other responsibilities, the Clerks worked together under difficult circumstances to assure that the newly designed Electronic Warrant System had updated and accurate information to protect Liberty Interests and improve Public Safety. We commend them for their efforts to improve where possible.

For these and many other reasons,

I hereby proclaim

Friday, December 14th, 2012, to be a day of special recognition for all of the employees of the Judicial Branch Clerks Offices.

At mid-day we will take a break from our normal business so the Clerks can be specially recognized. Each member of the Clerks' Offices will be personally recognized, and will receive a certificate memorializing this honor.